

## PUPILS EXPECTED TO READ PAPERS

Prof. Edmunson Urges School Children to Keep in Touch With Current Events.

### CONFERENCE AT BRISTOL

Three Hundred Teachers in Attendance—Mrs. Dashiell Makes Address.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Bristol, Va., February 21.—With upwards of 300 teachers in attendance, the morning session of the annual conference of the teachers of the Ninth Congressional District and the Counties of Grayson and Carroll was begun. Professor F. B. Kexley, vice-president of the State Teachers' Association, presided.

Deep interest was manifested in the discussions. The topic, "The Scope and Spirit of Work for the Rural High School," was interestingly discussed by Professor E. W. Edmunson, of Mead-oxview. He discussed this topic from the viewpoint of modern demands. He declared that what is best for the high school pupil is such a course of study and such methods as will cause him to exercise most thought and study. He advocated practical training for the country high school, saying that pupils should be taught to take an interest in current events, that aside from such other literature as should be required, pupils should be expected to read the daily newspapers and keep in close touch with the trend of current events. He said that it was important, too, to interest the women in the high school, and that in order to get their attention he had recently provided an upper room for them, in order that they might conduct a quilting party. He urged the practice of such methods as will keep the young people enthused in the work before them.

One of the most pleasing talks of the forenoon was that by Professor George Kelly, a young educator from Lebanon, Mo. He took the place of Professor E. M. Hunter, who was absent. In the discussion of the topic, "Education for Country Life," his talk was noted for its originality of idea. He urged the practical in education, but at the same time would not cultivate this idea counter to what might be the tastes of some. He emphasized the importance of such a course of training as will bring out the appreciative qualities of the mind for the beauty and charms of the world, the things which will do most to develop independent thinking and originality, so that the pupil may be taught to exercise independent thought in his accomplishments.

Dr. J. T. Henderson, president of Virginia Interment College, sounded a note of welcome to the visiting teachers and extended an urgent invitation to the conference to visit his school on Saturday morning. The invitation was accepted.

In the absence of Professor E. J. Cooley, of Pulaski, Professor J. A. Lavesay, of Graham, Tazewell County, delivered an interesting address on mathematics and grammar in the high school.

Professor A. G. Williams, president of the Modern Language Association of Virginia, concluded the discussions of the forenoon with a brief talk on the importance of the study of modern languages by high school pupils. The features of the afternoon session were the addresses by Superintendent James N. Hillman, of Wise County; Dr. Ennio C. Williams, of the State Health Board, and Mrs. Landon Dashiell, of Richmond, representing the Virginia Co-operative Educational Association. Superintendent Hillman discussed in an interesting way the topic "Available helps for primary and grade teachers." He gave a list of the most helpful publications including those issued by the Federal government.

"School Hygiene" was discussed by Dr. Williams, who told of recent experiments being tried in portions of the State, and discussed in a comprehensive way some of the more important rules for the best health conditions among student bodies. His talk was replete with information of worth to teachers.

Superintendent Fugate, of Russell County, took the place of Miss Margaret Williams, of Richlands, and discussed the topic, "Points of Weakness in the Grades."

Mrs. Dashiell told of the work of the Co-operative Educational Association, as reflected in the individual improvement league scattered over the State. She said that 510 such leagues exist in the State, and that reports from 70 per cent of this number showed a total of \$5,000 raised within a year for school improvement purposes. Her revelations of the work accomplished through this source proved deeply interesting.

Following Mrs. Dashiell's talk, which concluded the afternoon program, she was tendered a reception in the court room by the Mothers' Society of the city. All the teachers joined in this reception.

The features of to-night's session were an address by State Superintendent R. C. Stearnes, whose subject was



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Come and see.

*C. H. Dashiell*

"The Education of a People," and an address by Dr. John P. McConnell, whose subject was "What We of the Southwest Most Need."

### OIL PLANT DESTROYED; SEVERAL MEN INJURED

Explosion in Wagners, Point, Md. Establishment Starts Million-Dollar Blaze.

Baltimore, February 21.—An explosion in the barrel house of the Texas Oil Company's plant, at Wagners Point, Anne Arundel County, last night started a fire which wrecked the plant, destroyed the warehouse of the United States Asphalt Company nearby and caused loss which may exceed a million dollars.

Hundreds of residents of the little settlement, fearful that the flames would reach their homes, removed such valuables as they could and started to walk through the drizzling rain to Brooklyn. Seeing this, the pastor of the Catholic Church at the point threw open the building, and many spent the night there. Aged and crippled women were carried to safety.

Four men were injured by the explosion of the oil tanks by being struck by pieces of the iron coverings and other debris carried through the air by the force. They were:

Joseph A. Massal, a reporter, bruised about the body.  
John Crest, an employee of the Martin Wagner Company, struck by a piece of iron from exploded tank while assisting firemen.

Louis Henderson, seriously bruised about the body, was blown through window of barrel house.

Frank Haas, overcome by smoke and bruised by explosion, the only effective means with which to cope with an oil fire, had little effect on the blaze, and before the automatic system could withdraw the fluid from the tanks it was flaring skyward. For hours the explosions made a continuous terrible noise that could be heard miles away.

### QUAKERS WED IN GOTHAM FIRST TIME IN 17 YEARS

New York, February 21.—For the first time in seventeen years there was a wedding last night in the little Quaker meeting-house in Gramercy Park, over which quaint edifice fashionable apartment houses now tower. It is the home of the only congregation of Orthodox Friends in New York. It had been so long since the 200 members of the congregation saw a wedding that practically all of them came from far and near to see the marriage of Benjamin Harvey Doane, a clerk in the appellate division of the Supreme Court, and Miss Alice Howes Underhill. With no minister and with no music, the couple marched up the aisle of the church and standing before the meeting, they clasped hands and repeated the simple marriage vows to the loving and dutiful with God aid. They signed a certificate testifying to the fact they they had had their intentions of marriage before two previous meetings of the congregation without having heard objection to them.

Fifty years ago, when the little meeting house was newly filled, all of the front rows were usually filled with women in the Quaker dress, but last night only one woman appeared in that sober garb.

**Accepts Offer of Powers.**  
Bucharest, February 21.—The Council of Ministers today decided to accept the offer of the powers to mediate in the dispute between Rumania and Bulgaria on the boundary question.

## SENATOR MARTIN IS SURE OF BRIDGE

He Believes Congress Will Approve Item in Building Bill.

### TO BE MEMORIAL STRUCTURE

If Authorized It Will Connect Virginia and National Capital.

Washington, February 21.—That Congress will authorize at this session the construction of the proposed memorial bridge across the Potomac River connecting the National Capital and Virginia was confidently predicted by Senator Martin, of Virginia, today. The public buildings bill, which was reported from the Senate committee on public buildings and grounds this afternoon, carries authorization for the construction of this bridge at a cost of \$5,000,000. Senator Martin said he believed the House would agree to this amendment. The very fact that the item in the bill has been placed in the public buildings measure adds strength to its cause, he said.

Senator Martin declared that the project for the memorial bridge had many warm friends, both in the Senate and House, and that he believed they would rally now to its support.

The item for the bridge, which is in effect the bill which was introduced by Senator Martin for the construction earlier in the Congress, is as follows: "That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be constructed across the Potomac River, from the city of Washington to the Arlington estate property, in the State of Virginia, a memorial bridge, to be located as nearly as the commission hereinafter constituted may determine to be best, on a line beginning at the intersection of Twenty-third Street and the line drawn from the center of the Capitol through the center of the Washington Monument, and running from this intersection at Twenty-third Street to the center of the Arlington mansion; the said bridge to be constructed on a location and plan to be approved by a commission composed of the President, the Secretary of War, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the chairman of the Committee on the Library of the Senate and the chairman of the Committee on the Library of the House of Representatives, and not to cost more than \$5,000,000, and the commission is authorized to expend as much as may be necessary for the purpose in securing and determining on a proper location and plan."

That in the discharge of its duties hereunder said commission is authorized to employ the services of such engineers, sculptors, architects and others as it shall determine to be necessary, and to avail itself of the services of the Commission of the Fine Arts, created by the act approved March 17, 1910.

"That said commission shall annually submit to Congress an estimate of the amount of money necessary to be expended and year by year carry on the work herein authorized."

## MANICURE GIRL'S ROMANCE BROKEN

Receives Telegram That Hall Is With Wife, So Can't Wed.

New Haven, Conn., February 21.—The romance of Sallie Smith, manicure girl in the Hotel Taft, who believed for three days she would become the wife of a millionaire, was broken today when she received a telegram from New York City, stating that her fiancé, John Hall, had a wife now living, and that he had decided to go to Chicago. The following telegram was received:

New York City, February 21.—Am leaving New York for Chicago with my wife. Can you forgive me? Am heart-broken.

Miss Smith was inclined to think the telegram a hoax, but she met several business men here who had been investigating the case and had heard that Hall had a wife. The young woman then caught the next express for New York City.

Hall has visited this city often in the last year, stopping over in the Hotel Taft, where he entertained gregariously. Often he visited the Elks' Club here and made friends of some of the prominent members of that order. They say they were surprised when they saw the publication of the engagement of Hall and Miss Smith, and that on the publication of the engagement of Hall and Miss Smith they called up by telephone Secretary Carroll of the Elks' Club in New York City, and were told Mrs. Hall was living in New York.

Hall's general attitude among the New Haven men who knew him led them to call him "the man of mystery." They cannot understand his attitude toward Miss Smith. Some of his friends are convinced he believed himself single during his recent stay here, and dutiful with God aid. He gave an engagement banquet on Monday evening, inviting some of his brother Elks and all the relatives of Miss Smith, where the announcement of the engagement was formally made.

The old man went to New York City saying he was going to make plans for his marriage and honeymoon which was to be spent in his southern California orange farm. Since then nothing has been heard of him here except the word contained in the dispatch to Miss Smith.

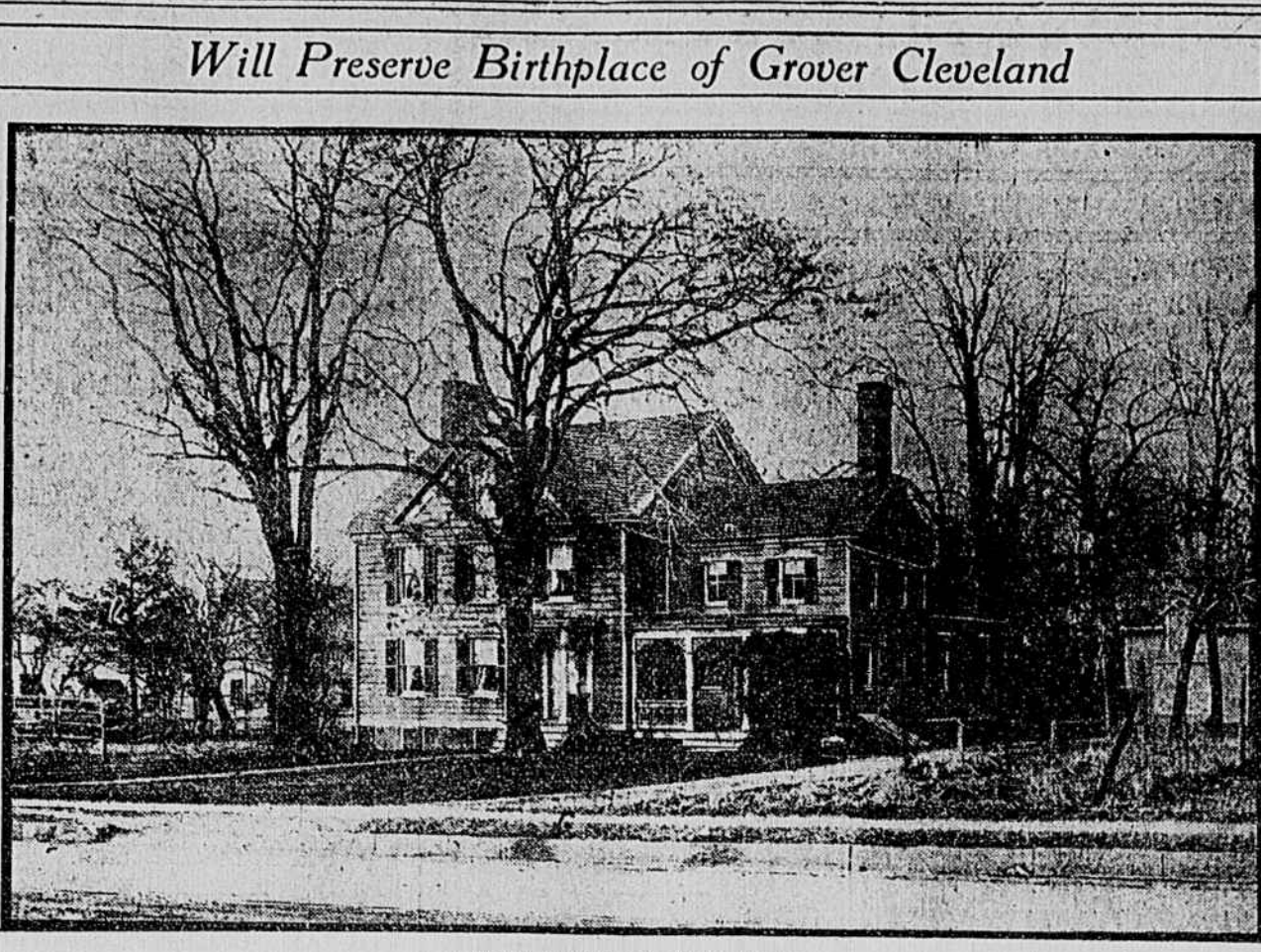
An official of the Elks' Club here said: "I have known Hall only a year. He was a member of the New York club and called frequently at the local club. He was a companionable fellow and a liberal entertainer. When I heard on Monday he was engaged to Miss Smith it occurred to me I had heard him speak of having a wife. I met him on Tuesday and refrained his mind in this matter. He replied he had had a wife, but had been divorced for several years. I apologized for having misunderstood him as I thought."

### Dies of His Injuries.

Columbia, S. C., February 21.—Well-known McNeill, conductor on a Seaboard Air Line passenger train from Columbia to Savannah, died here tonight from injuries inflicted by baggage-master V. A. Lee on the train at Swansea today. Lee was placed under arrest. He asserts that he shot McNeill accidentally during a playful tussle.

### Deaths Follow Suicide Party.

Memphis, Tenn., February 21.—As the result of drinking whiskey containing 50 per cent of carbolic acid in a local boarding house early today, Bernard Deaver, laborer, Alton, Tenn., and Jack Hartman, former policeman, Nashville, Tenn., are dead. Michael



Will Preserve Birthplace of Grover Cleveland

BIRTHPLACE OF CLEVELAND.

Trenton, N. J., February 21.—The Grover Cleveland Birthplace Memorial Association was incorporated here today.

The association has raised \$18,000 to purchase from the First Presbyterian Church, at Caldwell, N. J., the "old mansion" where President Cleveland was born, and efforts will be made to

raise \$25,000 for the care of the memorial. March 18 will be the anniversary of Cleveland's birth, and on that date and on March 16, the preceding Sunday, the founding of the memorial will be celebrated at Caldwell. President Eliot Wilson and other prominent men are expected to attend.

McDonough, of Pittsburgh, and Frank Kelly, of this city, who drank a small portion of the poisoned liquor, were severely burned about the mouth and throat.

The police authorities say that Deaver arranged a "suicide party" and served the carbolic whiskey to his friends as refreshments.

**Alleged Chicken Thief.**  
Frank Sadler, colored, was arrested early this morning by Police Sergeant Kraft, on the charge of entering a henhouse of W. E. Ellis, of 724 West Broad Street, and stealing six chickens.

John Allen, colored, was arrested in South Richmond on the charge of stabbing "Sunny" Neal, also colored.

### Street Storm in Chicago.

Chicago, February 21.—A rain and sleet storm began early this morning, and the streets and sidewalks were soon covered with a thin coating of ice. Traffic was delayed on every surface and elevated line in the city. It was reported that hundreds of telegraph wires leading north, south and west were down. Mails were from one to three hours late on a number of railroads. Many minor accidents were reported.

### Boston Has \$500,000 Fire.

Boston, February 21.—Fire last night destroyed the building of Bremen, Dow & Co., dealers in plumbers' supplies and steam fitting supplies, and damaged several other wholesale houses. The loss is estimated at \$500,000.

### KAISER'S SON TO BE ATHLETE.

Indicates Interest of Imperial Family in Olympic Games.

Berlin, February 21.—Three young German princes—Joachim, son of Emperor William; Sigismund, nephew of the Emperor, and Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia—will shortly begin active training in track and field athletics.

The three to-day became members of the Berlin Sport Club. This is taken as an indication of the interest shown by the imperial family in the next Olympic games, which are to be held in Berlin.

### Evidence Is In.

Vernon, Tex., February 21.—The presentation of evidence in the trial of J. B. Shind, accused of murder in connection with the killing of A. G. Boyce, Jr., at Amarillo, Tex., last September, was concluded today, and the hearing of arguments will begin to-morrow morning.

## Morgan's Son-in-Law Sails



HERBERT L. SATTERLEE, son-in-law of J. Pierpont Morgan, sailed for Egypt on receipt of news that the great financier had been taken ill there.

## TIRES OF WIFE OF HIS YOUTH; WEDS SINGER

Harrold, Tenor Recently Divorced, Marries Widow in City Hall.

New York, February 21.—Orville Harrold, the grand opera tenor, who was divorced from a fellow-music student, at last there came back a letter. Mrs. Harrold related, in which she was told the young musician's love for her had died.

Mrs. Harrold then sued for divorce. Her decree was awarded Monday.

Mrs. Talbot, who is a widow, living in 204 West One Hundred and Eighth Street, is said to be the singer to whom Harrold's engagement was rumored in Paris. Harrold is now living in 262 West Forty-sixth Street.

Clarence T. Birkett accompanied them on their visit to the City Hall yesterday. After procuring the license Harrold said another marriage would be held up, but declined to say why.

Harrold refused to discuss his marriage beyond saying he and his wife would have taken for a few weeks on their honeymoon.

## DEED CAUSES RUMOR MACKAYS WILL PART

Secrecy in Filing of Property Agreement Starts Separation Talk.

New York, February 21.—Secrecy observed in the filing of a deed of trust transferring Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay's interest in Harbor Hill, the million and a half dollar Mackay estate in Roslyn, L. I., to her husband, yesterday caused rumors to be circulated of an agreement of the couple to separate. These reports, however, were denied by an intimate friend of the Mackays in the Hotel Plaza, where Mrs. Mackay is recovering from an operation.

Mrs. Mackay moved her furniture from the Ritz-Carlton to the Plaza two weeks ago when her husband left for an extended trip in the South. He is in Jamestown, N. C., although his

name appears with that of Mrs. Mackay on the register in the Plaza. With Mrs. Mackay are her three children, John William Mackay, six years old, and her two little daughters, Katherine and Ellen.

Although the deed, by the terms of which Mrs. Mackay practically transferred her dower rights to the property, was filed Wednesday, such unusual precautions were taken to prevent its contents becoming public that it was not learned until yesterday that it had been filed. Across the face of the document was written "Please do not publish."

The document, signed by both Mackay and his wife, conveys the property to Mr. Mackay and William H. Cook, of No. 327 West Seventy-fifth Street, his legal advisor. Mr. Cook, who was seen yesterday in his office, No. 44 Wall Street, refused to discuss the deed.

By the terms of the deed the property is to be held in trust by the Mackays for John William Mackay, the son. Mrs. Mackay will retain the right to the rents from Harbor Hill in the event it is leased. The deed also provides a special trust in case the property is sold outright.

One report circulated was to the effect that the property, valued at \$1,500,000, commanding a magnificent view of Long Island Sound, already has been placed on the market for sale.

The deed, which was executed on Thursday last, stipulates that Mackay is to have the right to sell the estate when he needs it out of the proceeds he may purchase another country estate or invest in the Mackay Company shares in the Commercial Cable Company.

It is stipulated also that when the son, John William Mackay, becomes twenty-one years old he is to receive the premises absolutely. In the event of death of both the son and father, the property will go to the two daughters, Katherine and Ellen.

There was considerable speculation as to the significance of the deed among the Mackay neighbors in the millionaire colony of Roslyn. It was recalled by them that Mrs. Mackay, contrary to her usual custom, was abroad last summer with her daughter, Katherine, and did not return to Harbor Hill until after Christmas.

**Morgan Takes Long Drive.**  
Cairo, Egypt, February 21.—The progress of J. P. Morgan toward recovery from his recent indisposition is uninterrupted. He took a long drive today.

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## Trying to Avert War

Washington, February 21.—President Taft met Amos T. Fisher, eighty-eight years old, at a reception given him by Macons of the Alexandria-Washington Lodge late today in Alexandria, Va.

"I'm glad to meet you, Mr. President," said Mr. Fisher. "I fought the Mexican War."  
"I'm glad to see you, Amos," replied the President, "because I am trying my best to avert another one."

## OBITUARY

**Fayette G. Ball.**  
Fayette G. Ball, son of the late Judge Charles B. Ball and Emma H. Ball, and grandson of Rev. Charles H. Ball, D. D., died last night at 6:30 o'clock. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from the residence, 5 South Third Street. Interment will be private.

### Monroe Stevens.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Staunton, Va., February 21.—Monroe Stevens, one of the oldest citizens of Staunton County, died last night at his home near this city, aged eighty-seven years. He is survived by two sons, Marcellus Stevens, of Spotsylvania County, and Ashton Stevens, of Staunton County, thirteen grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren.

### Mrs. M. L. Bryant.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Franklin, Va., February 21.—Mrs. M. L. Bryant, of this place, second wife of the late Captain James D. Berry Bryant, died this morning at 12:45 o'clock, at the Monson House, Staunton, Va., after a long illness. She was born in Northumberland County, Va., and was seventy years old and leaves three children—R. M. Bryant, of Staunton, Va.; Mrs. J. A. Jackson, of Staunton, Va.; and Mrs. Louise Nutt, of Northumberland County, Va. The remains will arrive here Saturday morning, and the interment will take place in the family plot in the Poplar Springs Cemetery. Services will be conducted by Rev. C. E. Blankenship, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church of this place.

### Lewis Pendleton.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Staunton, Va., February 21.—Lewis Pendleton died at his home in this place Tuesday night of double pneumonia, after an illness of only a few days. He was seventy-six years of age. He was a soldier in the Federal army under General Sherman, and was on the famous march of Sherman from Tennessee to the sea. He was in 1861 to 1865. He located here many years ago. He had been drawing a pension from the Federal government up to a time of his death. He is survived by his widow, of this place and one son, who lives in the State of Colorado. The funeral will be held Thursday.

### Mrs. Emma McLaughlin.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, N. C., February 21.—Mrs. Emma McLaughlin died this morning at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Smith, 111 Third Street. Mrs. McLaughlin came here last fall to live with her daughter, Mrs. Smith, and during her short residence here made many friends. She was a member of the United Evangelical Church. The funeral services were conducted this afternoon by Rev. W. J. Broom, and the remains were taken to her former home in Carlisle, Pa.

### W. J. Olive.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Fayetteville, N. C., February 21.—W. J. Olive, one of the most successful farmers of Cumberland County and former chairman of County Commissioners, died this morning. Mr. Olive, who had here with bright disease had seemingly improved for the last few days, but this morning suffered hemorrhage of brain. His body was taken to his home at Wade. He retired from the Board of County Commissioners only December 1.

## DEATHS

**FARMER.**—Died, at his home, in Danville, Va., February 20, 1913, at 12:45 A. M. FRED B. FARMER, son of the late Major M. Farmer, of Chesterfield County, Va. He leaves a wife, his widow, two sisters, Mrs. M. E. Dillon, of this city, and Mrs. W. R. Towne, of Baltimore, Md. He was a member of the Chesterfield County, Va. The funeral will take place from the residence of his niece, Mrs. J. W. Wash, 516 West Marshall Street, SATURDAY, February 22, at 3 o'clock P. M. Interment in River View Cemetery.

**HARMON.**—Died, February 21, 1913, at 8 A. M., at his residence, 808 Barton Avenue, Broad and Park CHARLES E. HARMON, in the twenty-fifth year of his age.

Funeral from residence SATURDAY, February 22, 1913, at 3:30 o'clock. Interment in Oakwood.

**GALL.**—Entered into rest, February 21, 1913, at 6:30 o'clock P. M. FAYETTE C. GALL, son of the late Judge Charles B. Ball, and of Emma H. Ball, and grandson of the late Rev. Charles H. Ball, D. D.

The funeral services will be held at his late residence, No. 5 South Third Street, SUNDAY AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock. The remains will be privately interred.

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